

# ANIMAL PROTECTION & CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD Meeting Minutes April 22nd, 2004

In Attendance: Staff:

Greg Ellison Linda Moorhead
Dr. Elizabeth Grauer Adrienne Willows

Pat Jollota Shirley Malar

Carol Williams Phil Olson

#### I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Carol Williams at 6:35 p.m.

#### II. Reading & Approval of the March 2004 minutes:

The minutes were approved with amendment to the Round Table that the Planning commission is looking at doggy daycare not the city council.

#### III. Orders of the Day

#### **Statistical Report**

Linda went over the March 2004 Animal Control statistics. Complaints are down 4%. Licensing funds are up but that is due to the fee increase that went into effect January 1, 2004, also penalties collected have increased.

Linda announced that Animal Protection and Control had hired a new licensing officer and that we would be selling licenses at events and door to door again. Carol brought up that years ago the county would have volunteers and college students go door to door, Linda would look into it. Liz Grauer said that she would write a letter to the Columbian in regards to licensing and a guaranteed stay at the Emergency Vet Clinic.

Phil Olson discussed the statistics for the SW Washington Humane Society for the month of March, 2004. Dog adoptions were up and cat adoptions were down. Both dog and cat return to owner's are up. Microchips being utilized on cats are a big factor on the cats being returned to their owners.

Phil brought up the concern over the ISO chip, there was a general discussion how is not universally read by current scanners.

## **Advisory Board Open Positions**

Linda stated that applications have been coming in, and we have something for every position except large animals at this time, but they cannot be reviewed until after April 30<sup>th</sup>. Carol organized a sub committee consisting of herself, Shirley Malar and Greg Ellison to review the applications sometime in the next 30 days.

#### **Code Work**

Carol has been working with the Advisory Board for many years and says that it has always been guided by Animal Control, but thought it would be a nice change to direct themselves.

There was a general discussion on catteries and hobby licenses and how the definitions were never determined from the last meetings. Linda said that she would research other county regulations on catteries and see what she can find in the way of definitions.

Carol suggested that since there are so many areas to work on, to start with the catteries first, review what has been done and pick up from there. Greg will draft a letter again inviting cattery people to a meeting for discussion.

#### IV. Roundtable

Carol stated that she would not be at the May 2004 meeting. Carol asked Phil since there was room at this time in the shelter if he was planning on bringing in animals from other countries, Phil stated that he was not.

There was discussion in regards to the distemper that was found in the raccoons in Portland and its repercussions.

Phil announced the dates for the adoptathon being May  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  and the Walk for the Animals May  $8^{th}$ .

#### V. Public Forum

There was no public discussion.

## VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

# VII. Hearing Tribunal

There were four written appeals reviewed this month.

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